

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET  
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL  
B.S.A.

DATE

2/10/66

Full Name JAMES WELLS  
(No initials if you can possibly get)

Initial "M" picked up on  
Nov. 1963 Troop application.

Address 941 So. QUITMAN

C.R.

City DENVER State COLOR

Age 27 (This is important and should be e

Approximate age \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)

Religion PROTESTANT Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation Army Medical Corps - Dental

Education High School 7.

Weight 230 Color WHITE Height 5'10"

Color of hair BROWN Color of eyes BROWN

Outstanding characteristics or interests Swimming + Aquatics

Married or single SINGLE Children NONE  
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)


Wife's name \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

Unit #	City	State	Office	Date Reg'd.	Date resigned
TROOP 1413	DENVER	COLORADO	SCOUTMASTER	FEB 1965	JAN 26, 1966

Special recognition Vigil Honor,

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

See attached report by  


Signed

George Alexander  
Scout Executive

GC-294-31

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March 2, 1966

Mr. George Mozealous  
Scout Executive  
Denver Area Council, No. 61

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: James Wells  
Scoutmaster, Troop 443

Dear George:

Thank you for your letter of February 15, and the enclosed statement and confidential record sheet concerning James Wells, Scoutmaster of Troop 443. We have placed this information in our files and have taken steps to have his name deleted from the Troop roster.

The information you have supplied will enable us to identify Mr. Wells should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

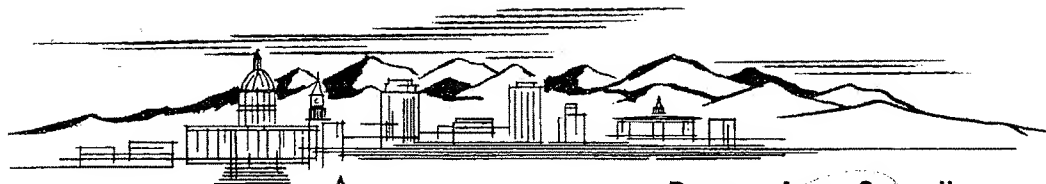
Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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February 15, 1966

Mr. Howard Boyd, Director of Registration  
Personnel Division  
National Council, Boy Scouts of America  
New Brunswick, New Jersey

Dear Howard:

As a follow-up of your February 14th letter enclosed are papers relative to one James Wells which you may want to place in your confidential file.

Although the enclosed statements do not bear the signatures of witnesses, they may be sufficient for your purposes.

On the day following receipt of the statements I talked to Mr. Wells personally in my office. The statements were face down on my table and I did not admit either the content or the person who signed them but did state that I had sufficient information at hand to ask for his immediate resignation from the Boy Scouts of America.

There was immediate admission on his part that he had committed acts contrary to the principles of the Boy Scouts of America and signified his immediate willingness to resign from any and all activities in Scouting.

It is my understanding that he has requested a transfer from Fitzsimons Army Hospital to some other base.

I hope this is sufficient information for you.

Sincerely,

George Mozealous  
Scout Executive

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Denver, Colorado  
Sunday, January 23, 1966

Realizing the implications of acts in which I was involved, and after consulting with certain adults in whom I can confide, I feel that the following statement in regards to James Wells is necessary in order to maintain the high standards of the Scouting movement.

At the age of about 14 in April of 1964 I was approached by Jim as to going on a trip with him to the mountains for snow shoeing. I was told that he was going to take a couple of other guys along and that I would be welcome. As it turned out it was only Jim and I that went, he told me the others wouldn't be able to come because of certain changes in plans. We went up near Idaho Springs and on the way up he treated me to a dinner. It was about 5:30 or 6:00 when we arrived at our destination on a desolate mountain road off the main highway. I tried the snowshoes while Jim remained in the car, an International with large open area in back, and then came back. We talked about different things such as Order of the Arrow, the existence of God, and the universe. Then he began talking with me about friendship and society's view of same. As time proceeded he made various physical contact with me, saying, "Let's wrestle," or just pretending to bend my arm. I began to feel very uneasy about this time, but he reassured me by again getting back to subjects of the mind such as God. Later I told him as the conversation proceeded that I had been feeling very nervous lately so he offered to give me a massage. During this time he made the first contact with my penis. Then we went to bed and had mutual masturbation. He awakened me by doing this and then placed my hand on his penis and said that I should do the same. I hesitated so he did it himself. After it was over he apologized for the whole thing and said he was very sorry. The thing that I now remember about this is that before the act he said it was wrong only because of society, and that men were not to be ruled by their society. Why then the change of heart and apology?

The next act occurred in September of 1964 at Brainard Lake. Jim suggested that he and I go up to Brainard Lake before the Fall Fellowship so that I could prepare my campaign. After the last episode I was hesitant but I thought he was on the level this time. As it happened again while I was sleeping I was awakened by him placing his hand on my penis. In both instances he had suggested that in order to keep warm we sleep together using his heavy sleeping bag over the top and my light one underneath. He said that it had been proven that one is warmer if he sleeps in the nude. Again mutual masturbation took place.

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In April of 1965 Jim Wells, Fred Shissler and I went up to Camp Tahosa to survey the ice meltage on the lake. At this time Jim and I slept in one room while Fred for some reason stayed in the other. Both men allowed the door to be shut between the two rooms, but who shut it I don't know. I was sleeping on the top bunk of a double<sup>bunk</sup> bed and Jim in a bed on the floor level. In a playful manner he tried to pull me down to his bed, but I recalled the last instance and resisted and finally he gave up. There was no act on this occasion.

During this last summer when I served on camp staff, Jim made frequent trips to camp and on one occasion he suggested that we go up into the woods and camp out for a night. He took me to the place where he had taken his Vigil ceremony. I was to take mine a few weeks later. And here again he made physical contact and performed the masturbation on me but I refused to reciprocate.

Because of my immature mind I was not able to face the true meaning of these things, and maybe I still don't understand them, but I do believe these things were wrong, and that a man like this should not be involved with young boys. It is for this reason that I have made this statement under no pressure from any other person, but knowing in my own mind that this statement is necessary.

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February 4, 1966

Mr. George Mozealous  
Scout Executive  
Denver Area Council, No. 61

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear George:

Your letter of January 25 addressed to Otto Nintz regarding the placing of a Scoutmaster on the confidential file has been referred to me for reply.

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet which should be filled out and returned to us, together with as complete a report as possible regarding this situation. We would also appreciate your sending us any substantiating documents, such as police record or newspaper clippings, that may be available pertaining to this matter.

We trust that this is the information you wanted.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

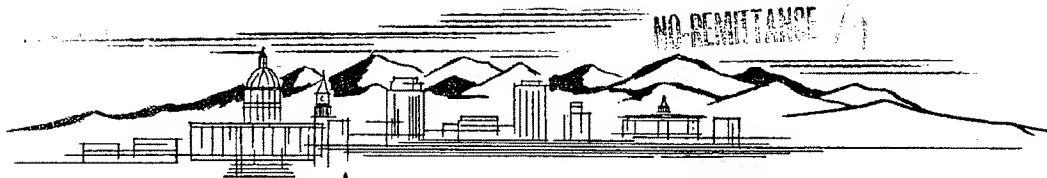
Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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January 25, 1966

Mr. C. Otto Nintz, Assistant Director  
Personnel Division  
National Council - Boy Scouts of America  
New Brunswick, New Jersey

Dear Otto:

Over the weekend a situation came to our attention requiring that we ask a Scoutmaster to resign and have no further association with the movement for at least a few years.

This man's name should be placed in the confidential file. What information and in what form should we send this to you, or to whom?

You will notice that I said above "for at least a few years" because the man is undergoing some form of psychiatric treatments.

It is an unfortunate circumstance involving boys.

Sincerely,

George Mozealous  
Scout Executive

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